

started clapping early. Stand up. This is great. Kelly taught over 300 students about basic first aid, certified first aid training, and how to get treatment for substance abuse. She also organized a youth council that recruited students from 19 other schools to perform community service projects. Good for you. Congratulations.

Dennis Chisholm, Jr., of Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Your family is standing. Give them a hand. *[Applause]* Dennis volunteered his many talents during the school year and 5 days a week in the summer to work in a center for children with disabilities. He helped other children develop motor skills and build their self-esteem through a range of physical and creative activities, including music and even computers.

I think that I should note that we have just celebrated this week the 3d anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, a major piece of civil rights legislation. But like every other piece of civil rights legislation we ever signed, it can only work if there is change in the hearts and minds of the rest of the American people. And this young man has helped other people to see the abilities of people with disabilities. We're all in his debt.

Another person who has done much the same is Sarah Elizabeth Greensfelder of Baltimore. Sarah has taken part in all kinds of community service programs: at blood drives, the Special Olympics, Johns Hopkins Pediatric Center, in nursing homes, or with housebound senior citizens. When she was selected for this medal she had volunteered over 900 hours for helping others, the equivalent of working full-time for half a year. Let's give her a hand. *[Applause]* Where's your family? They should stand, too. Let's give them a hand. *[Applause]* That's good. Look at that. You've got a whole back row. Thank you.

Now I'd like to ask—I'm not going to leave you over there—Gennie Sue Sluder of Clatskankie, Oregon—did I say it right?

**Ms. Sluder.** No. *[Laughter]*

**The President.** How do I say it? Say it.

**Ms. Sluder.** Clatskankie.

**The President.** Clatskankie, Oregon—*[applause]*—stand up. Gennie started a program called Help Hungry Kids. She went to

the school board and managed a statewide campaign that asked students at all 235 high schools in Oregon to donate \$1 and two cans of food apiece for needy children. Now she's at George Fox College, and she's working at two jobs to put herself through school. But when she was in high school she thought of a way to organize a plan for every person her age in the State to help children who were less fortunate. A very impressive accomplishment.

I want to say again on behalf of all the people of the United States, it is a great honor to have these fine young people, their families, friends, and supporters in the White House today. They've made us all very proud, and they've reminded us again of what is most important about our citizenship, our roles in our families and in our communities, and in a very real sense, what it means just to be a person. They're great. Let's give them one more hand. And thank you all for being here.

NOTE: The President spoke at 6:05 p.m. in the East Room at the White House. A tape was not available for verification of the content of these remarks.

## **Proclamation 6583—Death of Matthew B. Ridgway**

*July 29, 1993*

*By the President of the United States of America*

### **A Proclamation**

As a mark of respect for the memory of General Matthew B. Ridgway, one of our Nation's most venerated military leaders, I hereby order, by the authority vested in me as President of the United States of America by section 175 of title 36 of the United States Code, that on Friday, July 30, 1993, the flag of the United States shall be flown at half-staff upon all public buildings and grounds, at all military posts and naval stations, and on all naval vessels of the Federal Government in the District of Columbia and throughout the United States and its Territories and possessions. I also direct that the flag shall be flown at half-staff on the same

day at all United States embassies, legations, consular offices, and other facilities abroad, including all military facilities and naval vessels and stations.

**In Witness Whereof**, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-ninth day of July, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and eighteenth.

**William J. Clinton**

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NOTE: This proclamation will be published in the *Federal Register* on August 2.

### **Message to the Congress Transmitting the United States Arctic Research Plan Revision**

*July 29, 1993*

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Pursuant to the provisions of the Arctic Research and Policy Act of 1984, as amended (15 U.S.C. 4108(a)), I hereby transmit the third biennial revision (1994–1995) to the United States Arctic Research Plan.

**William J. Clinton**

The White House,  
July 29, 1993.

### **Nomination of Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy**

*July 29, 1993*

The President today announced his intention to nominate Steven Kelman, a Harvard professor and advocate for cutting Government waste through better purchasing policies, as Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy at the Office of Management and Budget.

“With his background and commitment to making the Government more efficient, I know Steven Kelman will ensure Government purchases are made economically and with care,” the President said.

NOTE: A biography of the nominee was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

### **Nomination for Ambassador to Jamaica**

*July 29, 1993*

The President today announced his intention to nominate former Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm to be the U.S. Ambassador to Jamaica.

“Shirley Chisholm is a true pioneer of American politics whose passion for social justice is unparalleled,” said the President. “I am honored that she will be my Ambassador to Jamaica and confident that she will do an outstanding job in that position.”

NOTE: A biography of the nominee was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

### **Statement on Surgeon-General Nominee Joycelyn Elders**

*July 30, 1993*

I am pleased that the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources has recognized the talents and capabilities of Dr. Joycelyn Elders. As Surgeon General, she will be an effective advocate for clinical and educational programs to address the fundamental health and social problems that affect all Americans. I am especially grateful to Chairman Kennedy for his steady leadership during the committee’s consideration of Dr. Elders’ nomination. I look forward to her speedy confirmation by the full Senate.

### **Statement on Ending the Filibuster on National Service Legislation**

*July 30, 1993*

By breaking the gridlock and ending the filibuster on national service today, the Senate scored two victories. It won one for the American people, but it also won one for the Senate itself, showing that when Democrats